and receipt of the case record under paragraph (a) of this section:

- (1) Issue a written decision adopting, remanding, reversing, or modifying NAO's decision or revised decision.
- (2) Issue a stay for no more than 90 days to prevent NAO's decision or revised decision from taking effect.
- (d) The Regional Administrator must provide a written decision explaining why an NAO decision or revised decision has been remanded, reversed, or modified. Consistent with §906.18(b), the Regional Administrator may, but does not need to, issue a written decision to adopt an NAO decision or revised decision.
- (e) The Regional Administrator will serve a copy of any written decision or stay on NAO and the appellant.

§ 906.18 Final decision of the Department.

- (a) The Regional Administrator's written decision to adopt, reverse, or modify an NAO decision or revised decision pursuant to §906.17(c) is the final decision of the Department for the purposes of judicial review.
- (b) If the Regional Administrator does not take action pursuant to \$906.17(c)(1), NAO's decision issued pursuant to \$906.15(a) or revised decision issued pursuant to \$906.16(d)(2) or (e) becomes the final decision of the Department for the purposes of judicial review 30 days after service of NAO's notification under \$906.17(a), or upon expiration of any stay issued by the Regional Administrator pursuant to \$906.17(c)(2).
- (c) The office that issued the initial administrative determination shall implement the final decision of the Department within 30 days of service of the final decision issued pursuant to §906.18(a), or within 30 days of the decision becoming final pursuant to §906.18(b), to the extent practicable.

PART 908—MAINTAINING REC-ORDS AND SUBMITTING REPORTS ON WEATHER MODIFICATION ACTIVITIES

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§ 908.1 Definitions.

As used in this part, terms shall have the meaning ascribed in this section.

- (a) Administrator. The Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
- (b) Person. Any individual, corporation, company, association, firm, partnership, society, joint stock company, any State or local government or any agency thereof, or any other organization, whether commercial or nonprofit, except where acting solely as an employee, agent, or independent contractor of the Federal government.
- (c) Weather modification activity. Any activity performed with the intention of producing artificial changes in the composition, behavior, or dynamics of the atmosphere.
- (d) *United States*. The several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and any territory or insular possession of the United States.
- (e) Persons whose activities relate to weather modification. Persons engaged in weather modification activities or engaged in the distribution or sale of weather modification apparatus or materials known by them to be destined for use in weather modification activities.